

## UTILITIES NEED PUBLIC'S HELP

MANAGER OF GUARANTY TRUST  
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MENT PLEADS FOR FAIR PLAY.

Galveston, May 14.—The public utility companies of America, struggling between the upper millstone of regulation and the nether millstone of rising costs of operation, can attract new capital and offer a safe investment only by creating a genuine and effective interest among their customers and the people in the territories they serve, George L. Burr, manager of the bond department of the Guaranty Trust Company of New York, told members of the Southwestern Electrical and Gas Association at their annual convention here today.

Public utilities must be regarded not as outsiders but as integral parts of their communities which must be fostered and developed as much as any other industry, Mr. Burr said. He urged that the sale of the securities of public utility companies among their customers, who then become owners or creditors, depending on whether they purchase stocks or bonds. They will then be directly and personally interested parties both from the standpoint of the community and of the companies, and outside investors will be attracted by the assurance that the companies will receive the same consideration as the other home industries in the territory served.

Mr. Burr said, in part: "It is generally felt among investors that many public utility companies have not had the public support which is due to them as honestly and ably managed public servants and that the problems of these companies and the just desires of their owners and creditors have not been appreciated by the public bodies. It is therefore feared by many that, as a result of the combination of these circumstances and the rising costs of operation, financial disaster for many companies may be just around the corner in the shape of possible disappearance of 'net after taxes.'"

"Compare, on any such basis, the case of the public utilities with the flexible earning power and favorable current asset position of an industrial company and it is not difficult to understand why it is almost impossible today to finance any but the exceptionally fortunate public utilities. I do not wish to paint too black a picture but I would be neglecting my duty if I did not present to you quite frankly the point of view of the investing public for whose funds your companies must sooner or later become bidders.

"To summarize briefly: Comparatively few of our public utilities are now able to attract the necessary new capital to meet their requirements. The chief causes of this situation are that public utilities are not in their nature liquid enterprises; that in general, because of lack of understanding on the part of the communities served, they have been unable to obtain rate increases sufficient to offset the in-

creased cost of operation and of new capital, and finally because the investing public fears the result which still further increased costs would have upon many of these companies and lacks confidence in the regulatory commissions, part of whose duty is to aid the companies in meeting their problems.

"The public in general has little difficulty in recognizing the fact that the prosperity of any section of the country depends upon the prosperity of its industries. Your communities would not dream of so regulating the cotton industry that the planter could not operate at a profit; but many people believe that they can force their public utilities to operate with a very narrow margin of profit and at the same time avoid all evil consequences incident to an inevitable decrease in service.

"The larger purpose of any undertaking is not the development of this industry or that industry but the creation of greater productive capacity for the country as a whole in order that all its citizens may share in its increased wealth and its enlarged opportunities for work and the pursuit of happiness. In spite of its tremendous strides in the raising of cattle and the production of cotton and oil, there is no part of the country more susceptible of still greater development than the southwest. The surface has only been scratched, its growth has just begun.

"Development cannot take place without the service provided by public service corporations and that service can be neither increased nor improved without additional capital. It is useless to plant cotton or drill for oil unless it can be shipped to market; it would be intolerable to live without the public necessities supplied by your companies. What is the decision of the southwest? Will it jeopardize its future because of lack of understanding of your particular industry and its vital relation to welfare and progress? I think not; but the golden moments are passing, and time which has been lost can never be regained.

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A bulletin entitled, "New Provisions for Compensation and Medical and Surgical Care and Supplies Under the War Risk Act," and officially listed as "LD-30," is announced by Director R. G. Cholmeley-Jones of the bureau of war risk insurance as ready for distribution.

The Circular which is addressed to former service men and a copy of which may be obtained from the bureau of war risk insurance, sets forth the warning that a certificate of injury from the bureau, within one year from the date of discharge or resignation, is necessary to preserve eligibility for compensation on the part of anyone who received injury or contracted disease while in the service.

To quote the bulletin: "No compensation is payable unless the disability or death can be traced to an injury or a disease incurred in the service."

"Many persons, however, have received injuries or contracted disease in the service and the ill effects thereof do not appear until some time after their discharge or resignation. If the disability resulting from the injury or disease contracted in the service does not occur before one year after discharge or resignation you may be unable to obtain compensation, for the law provides that when such disability or death occurs as shown by the medical evidence after one year after your discharge, a certificate of injury must have been obtained from the director of the bureau, within the year from the date of your discharge in order that the government may pay you, or your dependents.

"If you were injured or contracted disease while in the service, even though the injury or disease was of a minor character, be sure to apply for a certificate of injury before one year after the date of your discharge or resignation, in order to protect yourself and your dependents. Act now. "Do not fail to get this certificate



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The compensation and insurance claims division of the bureau has approved 147,081 claims for compensation on account of disability through service, and now is making payments thereon each month to the extent of \$4,488,058.31.

### SOUTHERN BAPTISTS TO ERECT BIG HOSPITAL

Washington, May 14.—Authority to build a \$1,500,000 hospital in New Orleans was unanimously voted to the home mission board by the Southern Baptist convention.

Recommendation that a Baptist hospital be erected at New Orleans was made to the convention by Dr. Groner, Dr. W. A. Hobson, Jacksonville, Fla., pleaded with the convention for the establishment of a Baptist hospital in Florida where, he said there is not a single Protestant hospital. His suggestion was referred to a committee.

The authority given the home board to establish the New Orleans hospital requires that the project meet with sufficient support from New Orleans Baptists and civic organizations. Speakers assured the convention that such support would be readily forthcoming. New Orleans wants the home board to appropriate the \$500,000 to start construction, the convention was told, and the remaining funds to be raised by campaigns in New Orleans and throughout the Baptist convention.

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## SCHOOLS HOLD LAST SESSION

WARD SCHOOLS TO HOLD EXERCISES AT BUILDINGS; COMMENCEMENT FOR HIGH SCHOOL FRIDAY.

Yesterday was the last study day of the school term for this year and beginning with tomorrow commencement exercises will be held, the exercises to last through Friday of next week. These exercises will be started tomorrow with the preaching of the baccalaureate sermon by Dr. A. S. Moffett, at the First Presbyterian church. Monday and Tuesday nights the seniors of the High School will present the play, "Lost, a Chaperon." The play will be given in the High School auditorium at 8 o'clock. Wednesday the oratorical contest of the boys and girls will be held in the auditorium. Friday night the commencement program will be given in the Garden Theatre.

The various schools will hold exercises Monday and Tuesday next week.

## OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

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At the monthly meeting of the Retail Merchants Association it was agreed to withhold ratings on customers until June 1st, as many delinquent customers have expressed their willingness and desire to get their bills paid up, but could not accomplish this by May 15th.

The new rating list which will be completed by the Association will be available to every merchant belonging to the Association and this will indicate in the future as to who is entitled to secure credit and who shall be a cash customer.

Protect your credit by making arrangements with your creditors on your accounts, as the Secretary will proceed with the rating promptly after the above date and will at that time check up the indebtedness of local people to ascertain how much is owing to local merchants by certain individuals.

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